

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

RUSSEL H. DAWSON, Personal
Representative of the Estate of Damaris
Rodriguez, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

SOUTH CORRECTIONAL ENTITY
("SCORE"), a Governmental Administrative
Agency, et al.,

Defendants.

CASE NO. C19-1987RSM

ORDER GRANTING KING
COUNTY DEFENDANTS' MOTION
FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

This matter comes before the Court on King County Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment. Dkt. #136. Defendants move to dismiss all of Plaintiffs' claims against King County and King County Sheriff's Office deputies Raul Adams, Leland Adams, and Alan Tag.

In Response, Plaintiffs state that the Motion is "mostly unopposed." Dkt. #160 at 1. Plaintiffs state that "[d]iscovery and factual investigation relating to King County and the process by which Damaris was booked at SCORE have, for the most part, exonerated King County, and Plaintiffs agree there is no admissible evidence that Damaris's death was proximately caused by King County's errors and omissions." *Id.* Plaintiffs submit a chart indicating that dismissal of each claim against these Defendants is either unopposed due to a

1 lack of admissible evidence or now moot. *Id.* at 1–2. For example, Plaintiffs state “[b]ecause
2 there is no admissible evidence of false arrest/imprisonment, the issue of whether or not King
3 County is immune for such claims under RCW 10.99.070 (as the County argues in (F)) is
4 moot.” Plaintiffs note their strong disagreement with how King County frames the legal issues
5 in this case. *See Id.* at 159 n.2.

6 The Court finds that Plaintiffs are essentially conceding the merits of King County’s
7 Motion due to a lack of proximate cause and agrees as to the mootness of remaining claims.
8 The Court will therefore grant this Motion and finds no reason to further discuss the
9 disagreement between the parties as to the framing of the legal issues related to these claims.

10 Accordingly, after having reviewed the relevant briefing and the remainder of the
11 record, the Court finds and ORDERS that King County Defendants’ Motion for Summary
12 Judgment, Dkt. #136, is GRANTED. All claims brought by Plaintiffs against King County and
13 King County Sheriff’s Office deputies Raul Adams, Leland Adams, and Alan Tag are
14 DISMISSED.

15 DATED this 8th day of September, 2021.

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20 CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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